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August 2, 1939.

Mr. Edwin R. Embree, President  
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Dear Mr. Embree,

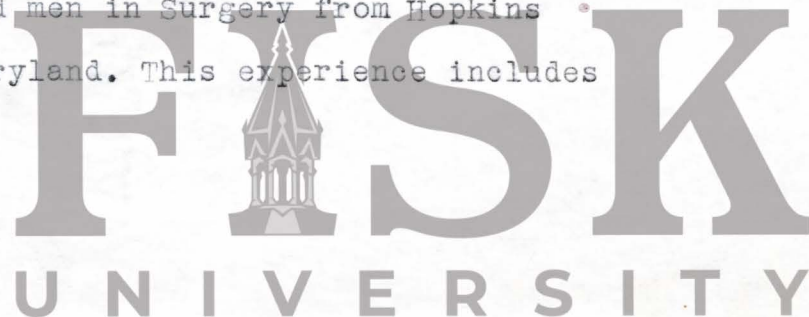
I have been in correspondence with Dr. M.O. Bousfield in reference to my desire to obtain a fellowship to do further post-graduate work in Surgery. Cannon Anson Phelps Stokes suggested that I also write you, saying that I do so at his suggestion.

I am a Negro, 30 years old, married, and have had the following training:-

1. Undergraduate work New York University.
2. M.D. New York Medical College and Flower Hospital.
3. 18 months rotary internship at Harlem Hospital, N.Y.
4. 1 year as Assistant Surgical Resident at Provident Hospital in Baltimore.
5. 2 years as Chief Surgical Resident at Provident Hospital in Baltimore.

During this ~~the~~ three years of training at Provident Hospital, I have been fortunate enough to operate with some of the most renowned men in Surgery from Hopkins and the University of Maryland. This experience includes

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the performance of about 600 major operations and assisting in about 1,000.

I need two more years of training to enable me to qualify to take the American Board of Surgery. This board requires five years of post graduate work after internship, or part of the time may be spent in the office of a Surgeon recognized by them. This latter contact would be impossible as only one Negro has achieved this recognition- Dr. Giles of Chicago.

You probably know how difficult it is for a Negro doctor to make connections in the hospitals and schools.

The great need of the Negro race today the country over, and especially here in the south- is for competent surgeons. Men who have the opportunity to qualify in every sense of the word. Maryland has no physician who has a specialized practice in Surgery. The people and the general practitioner need consultation service from a Negro Surgeon.

After I have completed my training I would like to help train other young surgeons.



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I am tremendously anxious to continue work immediately after my Residency has expired on October 15th of this year. This would be advisable as the American Board requires that the five years be spent consecutively, and continuously in Surgery.

My training has all been at a tremendous sacrifice to my father, who is an Episcopal minister in New York City. It will be impossible for me to continue without funds.

Any assistance that you might be able to render me would be very greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*Floarda Hughes Howard M.D.*

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 Chief Surgical Resident.

